Leader: 1 I will sing of the loving kindness of Yahweh forever.

With my mouth, I will make known Your faithfulness to all generations.

Response: **2 I indeed declare, “Love stands firm forever.**

**You established the heavens.**

**Your faithfulness is in them.”**

Leader: 3 “I have made a covenant with my chosen one,

I have sworn to David, my servant,

Response: **4 ‘I will establish your offspring forever,**

**and build up your throne to all generations.’”**

Leader: 5 The heavens will praise Your wonders, Yahweh,

Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the holy ones.

Response: **6 For who in the skies can be compared to Yahweh?**

**Who among the sons of the heavenly beings is like Yahweh,**

Leader: 7 a very awesome God in the council of the holy ones,

to be feared above all those who are around Him?

Response: **8 Yahweh, God of Armies, who is a mighty one, like You?**

**Yah, your faithfulness is around You.**

Leader: 9 You rule the pride of the sea.

When its waves rise up, You calm them.

Response: **10 You have broken Rahab in pieces, like one of the slain.**

**You have scattered Your enemies with Your mighty arm.**

Leader: 11 The heavens are Yours.

The earth also is Yours,

the world and its fullness.

You have founded them.

Response: **12 You have created the north and the south.**

**Tabor and Hermon rejoice in Your name.**

Leader: 13 You have a mighty arm.

Your hand is strong, and Your right hand is exalted.

Response: **14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne.**

**Loving kindness and truth go before Your face.**

Leader: 15 Blessed are the people who learn to acclaim You.

They walk in the light of Your presence, Yahweh.

Response: **16 In Your name they rejoice all day.**

**In Your righteousness, they are exalted.**

Leader: 17 For You are the glory of their strength.

In Your favor, our horn will be exalted.

Response: **18 For our shield belongs to Yahweh,**

**our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

Leader: 19 Then You spoke in vision to Your saints,

and said, “I have given strength to the warrior.

I have exalted a young man from the people.

Response: **20 I have found David, my servant.**

**I have anointed him with my holy oil,**

Leader: 21 with whom my hand shall be established.

My arm will also strengthen him.

Response: **22 No enemy will tahim.**

**No wicked man will oppress him.**

Leader: 23 I will beat down his adversaries before him,

and strike those who hate him.

Response: **24 But my faithfulness and my loving kindness will be with him.**

**In my name, his horn will be exalted.**

Leader: 25 I will set his hand also on the sea,

and his right hand on the rivers.

Response: **26 He will call to me, ‘You are my Father,**

**my God, and the rock of my salvation!’**

Leader: 27 I will also appoint him my firstborn,

the highest of the kings of the earth.

Response: **28 I will keep my loving kindness for him forever more.**

**My covenant will stand firm with him.**

Leader: 29 I will also make his offspring endure forever,

and his throne as the days of heaven.

Response: **30 If his children forsake my law,**

**and don’t walk in my ordinances;**

Leader: 31 if they break my statutes,

and don’t keep my commandments;

Response: **32 then I will punish their sin with the rod,**

**and their iniquity with stripes.**

Leader: 33 But I will not completely take my loving kindness from him,

nor allow my faithfulness to fail.

Response: **34 I will not break my covenant,**

**nor alter what my lips have uttered.**

Leader: 35 Once I have sworn by my holiness,

I will not lie to David.

Response: **36 His offspring will endure forever,**

**his throne like the sun before me.**

Leader: 37 It will be established forever like the moon,

the faithful witness in the sky.”

Response: **38 But You have rejected and spurned.**

**You have been angry with Your anointed.**

Leader: 39 You have renounced the covenant of Your servant.

You have defiled his crown in the dust.

Response: **40 You have broken down all his hedges.**

**You have brought his strongholds to ruin.**

Leader: 41 All who pass by the way rob him.

He has become a reproach to his neighbors.

Response: **42 You have exalted the right hand of his adversaries.**

**You have made all of his enemies rejoice.**

Leader: 43 Yes, You turn back the edge of his sword,

and haven’t supported him in battle.

Response: **44 You have ended his splendor,**

**and thrown his throne down to the ground.**

Leader: 45 You have shortened the days of his youth.

You have covered him with shame.

Response: **46 How long, Yahweh?**

**Will You hide Yourself forever?**

**Will Your wrath burn like fire?**

Leader: 47 Remember how short my time is,

for what vanity You have created all the children of men!

Response: **48 What man is he who shall live and not see death,**

**who shall deliver his soul from the power of Sheol?**

Leader: 49 Lord, where are Your former loving kindnesses,

which you swore to David in Your faithfulness?

Response: **50 Remember, Lord, the reproach of Your servants,**

**how I bear in my heart the taunts of all the mighty peoples,**

Leader: 51 With which Your enemies have mocked, Yahweh,

with which they have mocked the footsteps of Your anointed one.

Response: **52 Blessed be Yahweh forever more.**

**Amen, and Amen.**